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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hans-Peter Josel et al.)
Serial No. 09/801,157) Examiner Jon D. Epperson, Ph.D.
Filing Date: March 7, 2001) Group Art Unit No. 1639
For: Oligomeric Carrier Molecules with)
Defined Incorporated Marker)
Groups and Haptens)

DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.132

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

I, Milan Mrksich, declare the following:

1. My curriculum vita is attached.
2. I am currently appointed as Professor of Chemistry at the University of Chicago. I received a B.S. degree in Chemistry from the University of Illinois and a Ph.D. degree in Chemistry from the California Institute of Technology. I served as an American Cancer Society Postdoctoral Fellow at Harvard University before joining the Chemistry Faculty at the University of Chicago in 1996.
3. I direct a research group of approximately twenty students and postdoctoral fellows. My program is in the field of Chemical Biology and is broadly directed towards the development of molecular reagents and surface chemistries for studies in biochemistry and cell biology. I have more than fifteen years of research experience, including expertise in the following areas: organic synthesis, molecular biology, surface chemistry, biosensors, and protein biochemistry.
4. I am the coauthor of more than 100 peer-reviewed research publications and am an Inventor on 6 patents. I serve or have served as a Consultant to several